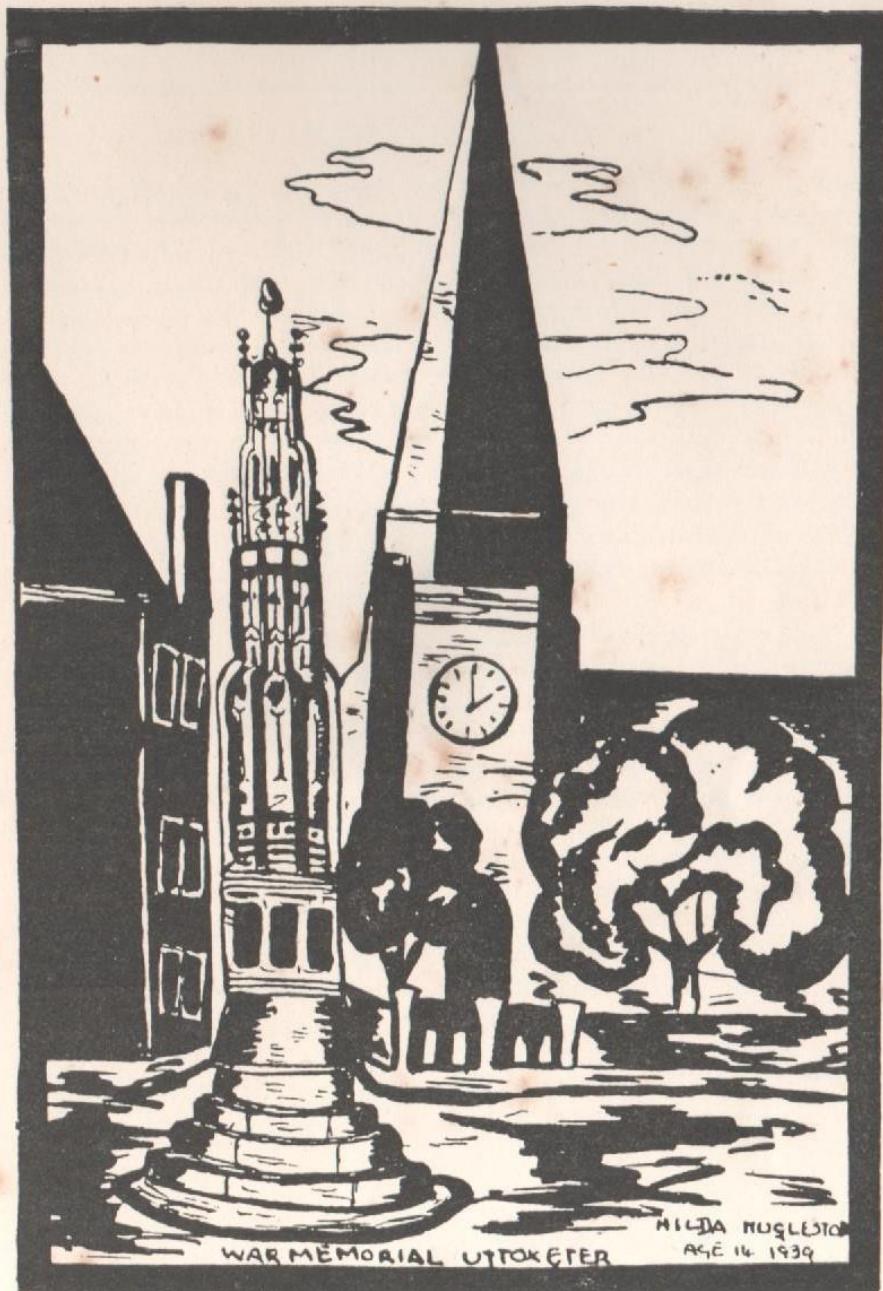


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EDITORIAL.

THE outstanding event of last year was the official opening of the new wing on September 22nd, 1938. The ceremony was performed by Dr. West, the Director of Education for Dorsetshire, and the spacious new assembly hall was filled by a large gathering of Governors, officials, parents and Old Girls. After the Opening, there was an exhibition of work done in Art, Craft, Needlework and Cookery Classes, and some of the Chemistry and Biology apparatus was set up in the laboratories for the inspection of the visitors.

On first moving into the new buildings, we were inclined to lose ourselves in so much unaccustomed space, as was suggested in a previous editorial, but now that we have adjusted ourselves to the new conditions we wonder how the School managed to carry on so successfully in the old buildings.

At the end of the Autumn Term we were all very sorry to learn of Miss Beck's retirement from the Staff. She has been with the School since it was taken over by the Staffordshire Education Committee in 1919; we cannot, any of us, express how much we owe her, or how much affection the present School and the Old Girls have for her. The parents and girls joined in giving Miss Beck a fireside chair and a cheque, which were presented on the last day of term. Fortunately for us, Miss Beck has not severed her connection with the School completely; she still comes down every day, and gives a few Scripture lessons, and she is still House Mistress of Red Gables. Mrs. Blundell, who teaches English and French, joined the Staff in January.

The following girls left between December, 1937, and July, 1938:—V. Fell, B. Heath, D. East, J. Ward, M. Holbrook, M. Tebbett, J. Hughes, A. Watson, C. Wheeldon, M. Whittaker, M. Bassett, C. Blore, M. Clowes, L. Dainton, M. Massey, M. Roberts, G. Robinson, D. Trubshaw, L. Tunnicliffe; boys—K. Smith, P. Warrington.

The following left at the end of the Autumn Term, 1938:—G. Roberts, G. Mountford, J. Perrins, R. Wood, B. Salt, M. Sargent.

The following girls were admitted to the School at the beginning of the Autumn Term, 1938:—Form III.: J. Bailey, G.

Bennett, P. Dumelow, J. Goodall, B. Holdcroft, J. Johnson, J. Mason, C. Pearson, M. Rice, N. Roberts, G. Swanborough, S. Wilmore; Preparatory—G. Bridgewater, J. Hall, H. Holmes, S. Phillips, B. Walker; boys—E. Mellor, J. Swanborough.

On July 15th we again entertained sixty Mothers from the Birmingham Settlement. The day was fine but cold, and so the games and competitions arranged to amuse the visitors were held in the Hall; the Mothers entered into all the games with great zest and enthusiasm, and seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly.

It was decided this year to change the School uniform; and to substitute navy skirts and white short-sleeved blouses for the gym-tunics formerly worn. Navy jerseys and pullovers, bordered with the four House colours, were chosen to wear with the skirts, and green cotton tunics for gymnasium. No change was made in the Summer uniform except to introduce print frocks in all four House colours instead of in green alone.

At Christmas, the new stage with its attractive green curtains and efficient lighting system was used for the first time, when a performance was given of the York Nativity Play, and a comedy called "The Happy Man," which was presented by Miss Belford's Dramatic Class. For several years now our plays have been performed without a platform, and with inadequate lighting, and therefore we are able to appreciate fully all the advantage of a well-equipped stage. The proceeds of the performance amounted to £11 3s. 6d.

Unfortunately, the carol-singing expedition arranged for the last week of term had to be cancelled owing to the bad weather, but we were able to send our usual contribution to St. Dunstan's from the proceeds of the Christmas Plays.

The School congratulates Margaret Fryer very warmly on her winning the Major Entrance Scholarship at Studley Agricultural College.

K. N. BENTLEY.

COMPETITION and EDITORIAL NOTE.

A prize is offered for "The Story of a Race." It is hoped that one of the entries will be suitable for inclusion in our next School Magazine.

Many of the entries submitted for the Magazine this year have been very pleasant to read. We hope you will enjoy writing on the subject given above for the competition, and we look forward to reading your stories of "A Race."

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As the date of publication of this number of the School Magazine is rather later in the year than has been the custom in

the past, it has been found possible to bring the House and other Records up to date.

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MISS BECK.

Some people become as natural and permanent a part of our existence as the ordinary recurrence of the seasons, the annual round of Christmas, birthdays and holidays, and when they leave us we feel as if we were roughly woken up out of a dream of permanence to face a reality of change.

I think this is what we have all felt about Miss Beck's retirement. I speak not only for the three head Mistresses who have worked with her, but for all the staff and all the girls who have known her, from the most recent newcomers she trained in Form III. this last Autumn, to those she taught at the old Manor House School in the early days before the County Education Authorities took the School over, when the pupils' hair was plaited in long pig tails, and the teachers wore long skirts and high-necked blouses.

It is not only that Miss Beck has always been there, but that we have all depended on her so much. The School's interests have always been her interests, and this has meant not only her caring for the School as a whole, but her caring for the individual progress and character of every girl in it.

It is impossible to assess the share Miss Beck has taken in forming the tradition of the School, and impossible for individual members to express what they owe her. We can only be grateful for all she has done, and grateful, too, that she is still House Mistress at Red Gables, still giving Scripture lessons to some forms, and still joining in all our School festivities.

M. W. C.

In Memoriam.

UNA HARRIS. Died May 22nd, 1939.

It was a great grief to all of us to learn of Una Harris's death from Meningitis in the Derby Royal Infirmary.

Everyone liked Una ; she was quiet and unassuming, always ready to help other people, a reliable friendly person who could always be depended on. She was good at work, and had a sweet singing voice. It seems such a short time since she sang in "The Idea" at the end of the Spring Term, looking so attractive in a deep blue silk dress of the period. She was hoping to train as a teacher when she left School, and seemed just the right person to enter the profession.

We all sympathise deeply with her family in their great loss.

M. W. C.

SCHOOL DIARY.

SPRING TERM, 1938—

Feb. 7—A party of girls went to lectures at Hanley, on Massage and Social Science.
Feb. 9—A party of girls from Lower V.b attended Court at the Town Hall.
Feb. 15—Lecture by Mr. Rhys on “The British and Foreign Bible Society.”
Mar. 8—Lecture by Head Deaconess Parker on “Church Work as a Career.”
Mar. 17—Lecture on the Basque Country, by the Comtesse de Croze.
April 1—Dramatic Recital by members of the Speech Training and Dramatic Art Classes.

SUMMER TERM, 1938—

May 25—Sports Day.
June 25—Miss Cooper took three members of the Sixth Form to Stratford-on-Avon to a performance of “Romeo and Juliet.”
June 29—School Birthday.
July 15—Visit of the Birmingham Mothers.

AUTUMN TERM, 1938—

Nov. 21—Lecture on Japan by Miss Stockdale.
Nov. 22—A party went to Denstone to a performance of Shakespeare’s “Julius Cæsar.”
Nov. 29—League of Nations Meeting. We invited the Grammar School and Abbotsholme Sixth Forms to an address by Mr. Hopkins on the League.
Dec. 15—Performances of The Nativity Play and The Happy Man.
Dec. 17—Re-union.

SPRING TERM, 1939—

Jan. 19—Captain Daintree gave a lecture on “Life-saving.”
Mar. 2—Miss Tacon gave a lecture on “School Girls’ Camps.”

MARGARET FRYER.

HOUSE NEWS.

BALFOUR.

SPRING TERM, 1938.—Balfour obtained second place in the Hockey results.

SUMMER TERM, 1938.—In Rounders we gained second place with three points.

In the Sports the Juniors succeeded in obtaining our points, with J. Crosby the winner of the Junior Championship.

At the end of the term we started knitting squares to make a blanket for Dr. Barnardo's Home.

AUTUMN TERM, 1938.—Balfour had a very successful party with Powell. The evening was spent in dancing and games, after a very enjoyable tea in the dining room.

SPRING TERM, 1939.—The House tied with Powell for second place in the Hockey results, obtaining three points.

SUMMER TERM.—In the Sports we were not so successful as in previous years, although M. Tunnicliffe obtained the Senior Championship for us.

P. TIPPER.
BUDGEN.

AUTUMN TERM, 1937.—At the end of the term Budgen was invited to a party given by Dunkley. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

SPRING TERM, 1938.—We finished second in the House Hockey Matches with three points. This term we returned Dunkley's hospitality and invited them to tea.

SUMMER TERM, 1938.—Budgen won the Sports Cup and also the House Relay Race. We were fourth in the Rounders Matches.

AUTUMN TERM, 1938.—Owing to difficulties caused by the new buildings, we were not able to hold our annual Whist Drive in aid of the Staffordshire Blind for two years, but this term it was possible, and we sent a cheque for £5 12s. 3d. to Mrs. Land, the County Secretary. We gained the most points for deportment.

SPRING TERM, 1939.—This term was a highly successful one for Budgen. We won the new Deportment Cup presented by Mrs. Eckersley, and the Hockey Cup.

SUMMER TERM, 1939.—On Sports Day, by the united efforts of the whole House, we won the Sports Championship.

M. HILL.

DUNKLEY.

AUTUMN TERM, 1937.—At the end of the term we joined with Budgen for a very enjoyable House Party.

SPRING TERM, 1938.—This term Budgen invited us to a party, when we had a pleasant time out-of-doors. We won the Hockey Cup with six points.

SUMMER TERM, 1938.—We were runners-up for the Sports Cup, and second in the House Relay. We won the Rounders Cup and the House Shield. Unfortunately, we were unable to hold our Sale of Work in aid of the Alton Cripples' Home: we hope, therefore, to double our efforts this year.

AUTUMN TERM, 1938.—This term we collected postage stamps, which we sent to the Save the Children Fund.

We were very sorry to say good-bye to Miss Beck, who has been our House Mistress for so many years, and we greatly appreciate all she has done for the House.

SPRING TERM, 1939.—We were pleased to welcome Mrs. Blundell as our new House Mistress. We were fourth in the House Hockey Matches.

SUMMER TERM, 1939.—In Sports we were fourth in the House Relay, and third in the total marks.

A. SURTEES.

POWELL.

AUTUMN TERM, 1937.—Powell with Balfour was responsible for chairs.

SPRING TERM, 1938.—We were fourth in the House Hockey Matches.

SUMMER TERM, 1938.—In the Sports, we owed most of our points to M. Perrins, who won the Senior Championship; we gained third place in the House Relay Race. In the House Rounders Matches we were third with two points.

AUTUMN TERM, 1938.—In conjunction with Balfour we made toys and clothes to send to the children of the Dr. Barnado's Homes, and to the N.S.P.C.C. at Christmas. At the end of the term, we held a joint House Party, which was a most enjoyable function, and at which we played games and had dancing.

SPRING TERM, 1939.—We were second in the House Hockey Matches.

SUMMER TERM, 1939.—At the Sports, we owed most of our points to the Juniors, Cecilia Manhire gaining the Junior Championship with 36 points.

K. N. BENTLEY.

HOCKEY, 1937—38.

RESULTS—

Derby High School,	Home,	Won	1—0.
Brownhills High School,	Home,	Draw	2—2.
Burton High School,	Home,	Lost	9—0.
Orme Girls' School,	Away,	Draw	1—1.
Westwood Hall School,	Home,	Won	7—0.
Longton High School,	Home,	Won	8—0.
Ashbourne Grammar School,	Away,	Lost	3—2.

COLOURS.—At the end of the season, colours were awarded to B. Heath, N. Bentley and L. Tunnicliffe.

The School Hockey Team for the Autumn Term, 1937, was as follows :—

Goal-keeper—L. Tunnicliffe ; Backs—J. Hughes and M. Tunnicliffe ; Halves—N. Bentley, B. Heath and Peggy Tipper ; Forwards—A. Surtees, G. Mountford, M. Perrins, M. Clowes and M. Hill.

The next term, M. Tebbett came into the team as right-inner ; and E. Cooper played left-half in several matches, when A. Surtees was ill, and P. Tipper took her place.

As usual, a number of matches had to be scratched at the end of the Autumn Term, and the beginning of the Spring Term, owing to a series of wet Saturdays. The team, on the whole, played well, but in spite of some excellent individual work, the main weakness was in the forward line. M. Perrins, as usual, put in some brilliant work, both in dribbling and shooting, and the left and right wings both showed considerable promise, but there was a lack of combination and anticipation of passes, which weakened our attack. This was remedied to a large extent, however, towards the end of the season.

Throughout the season, the team defence was strong, and our halves were a reliable trio. The backs combined well, too, and after a little initial slowness, were accurate in tackling, and acquired good clearing shots. Our new goal-keeper soon showed herself well adapted for the responsible position, and her play was consistently sure and accurate. The standard of the Hockey naturally improved towards the end of the season, but throughout both terms, there were some keenly-contested and exciting matches.

HOCKEY, 1938—39.

RESULTS—

Oct. 8—Orme Girls' School,	Away,	Won 9—0.
Oct. 15—Parkfield Cedars, Derby,	Away,	Won 4—1.
Oct. 22—Uttoxeter Ladies' Club,	Home,	Won 10—0.
Nov. 5—Brownhills High School,	Home,	Won 3—0.
Nov. 19—Westwood Hall, Leek,	Home,	Won 12—0.
Feb. 11—Burton High School,	Home,	Won 4—1.
Mar. 18—Burton High School,	Away,	Draw 2—2.
Mar. 25—Uttoxeter Ladies' Club,	Home,	Won 3—1.

COLOURS.—Hockey colours were awarded to A. Surtees, P. Tipper, M. Tunnicliffe and M. Hall, this season.

The team, during the Autumn Term, 1938, was as follows :—

Goal-keeper—P. Capewell ; Backs—M. Tunnicliffe, P. Tipper ; Halves—M. Shenton, N. Bentley, E. Cooper ; Forwards—M. Hill, G. Mountford, M. Perrins, B. Dainton, A. Surtees. W. Cotterill

went into the team as right-inner, at the beginning of the Spring Term, 1939; and C. Hine played in several matches when the centre-half was ill.

This has been a very good Hockey season, and in spite of bad weather in the Spring Term of 1939, we have played 8 matches, of which 7 were won and 1 drawn. The team scored 47 goals, and only 5 were scored against the School, which is a splendid record, and bears witness to the high standard of play. The defence was so strong that our new goal-keeper had little opportunity to try her skill, but when the occasion arose she showed herself quick and accurate both in tackling and clearing. The backs were a reliable and "well-tried" pair, and the games of both have improved during the season, particularly the left-back, who was much less apt to foul than in previous years. The halves all tackled with vigour and accuracy, but their clearing shots were sometimes weak, and the left-half's determination to procure the ball, sometimes led her to obstruct her opponent, and thus give a foul. The attack this season was much more formidable than last year, as the number of goals scored witnesses. The centre-forward played a splendid game throughout the season, harassing the opposing defence by skilful dribbling, and it was very difficult for any goal-keeper to stop her mighty shots. The two wings, with more experience of team work, played better games this season, and both not only made valiant personal efforts to get the ball through, but often combined well with their inners. Both inners showed promise too, as not only was their stick-work good, but they showed the willingness and ability to co-operate with the other forwards, which is so essential in a Hockey team.

M. JACKSON.

TENNIS.

During the erection of the new buildings, we had only one tennis court, so it was found impossible to play any tennis matches. There are now two courts, so we hope to play some matches during the Summer Term of 1940, and revive House Matches then, too.

M. JACKSON.

ROUNDERS.

SUMMER TERM, 1938.

RESULTS—

First Team Matches.

Burton High School,	Away,	Won 10—4½.
Orme Girls' School,	Home,	Won 12½—0.

Second Team Matches.

Burton High School,	Away,	Lost 8—8½.
Orme Girls' School,	Home,	Won innings and 13—10½.

COLOURS—Rounders colours were awarded to B. Heath, L. Tunnicliffe, M. Perrins, J. Hughes and Tebbett.

The Rounders teams were as follows :—

	1st Team.	2nd Team.
Backstop	- B. Heath.	M. Shenton.
Bowler	- P. Tipper.	C. Hine.
1st Post	- L. Tunnicliffe.	K. Robinson.
2nd Post	- M. Tebbett.	M. Oulsnam.
3rd Post	- A. Surtees.	B. Dainton.
4th Post	- M. Tunnicliffe.	M. Clowes.
Deeps	- P. Capewell. J. Hughes. M. Perrins.	V. Sutton. J. Twigg. S. Roberts.

The standard of the Rounders last year, both in School Games and House Matches, was much higher than in previous years. The School Matches must necessarily be few, as practising for Sports occupies our time in May, and School Certificate and Higher Certificate Examinations begin at the end of June.

The few matches we played last year, however, were all very exciting, particularly the games against Burton High School, in which the final scores were very close. Both first and second teams batted and fielded well, and there was a keenness and general co-operation, both of which are very important in team games. We hope both the skill and good team spirit will be retained in the 1939 matches.

M. JACKSON.

SPEECH DAY AND THE OPENING OF THE NEW WING, 1938.

Thursday, September 22nd, was a notable day in the history of the School, for it was the occasion of the Opening of the New Wing and Presentation of Prizes by Dr. J. R. West (Education Officer for the County of Dorset).

The ceremony took place in the new Assembly Hall, and many parents, Old Girls, and friends were present.

First, Sir Percival Heywood, Bart., Chairman of the Governors, welcomed Dr. West, who then formally declared the new buildings open. They were then conveyed to the Governors by Alderman J. O. Whitehouse, Chairman of the Staffordshire Education Committee, and received on behalf of the Governors by Sir Percival Heywood, who assured Alderman Whitehouse that the buildings would be put to excellent use.

A thanksgiving for the completion of the work, and prayers for the scholars and teachers, and for a blessing on the use of the

buildings, were offered by the Rev. W. E. Charlton, Vicar of Uttoxeter, and the Rev. F. Johnson Howden read Proverbs iii. 13-18, and Psalm xc. 12, 14, 16, 17.

Miss Cooper's report dealt with two years' work carried on under difficult and abnormal conditions. Now, she said, with well-equipped subject rooms, the work in many of the subjects could be much better developed. The School was in a position to return Mr. Atkinson's generous hospitality, and his senior forms were using the chemistry laboratory.

After detailing the changes in the staff, and in the curriculum, Miss Cooper thanked Sir Percival Heywood and others for their personal help to the School during the difficult time when the new wing was being built.

When he had presented the prizes, Dr. West gave his address. He attacked modern "mass-mentality," pleading for more individualism in thought and action. Modern inventions tended to simplify life too much, so that people lost all originality, and just "did what everybody else did." Dr. West said that the "team spirit" was often used as an excuse to leave the work to the rest of the team, and that it was essential at times to act on one's own initiative. Work, he continued, was much more pleasant if a sense of humour could be introduced into it; and if all could laugh at themselves, they would never become extreme partisans or fanatics.

His idea of an educated person, Dr. West concluded, was "one who could work hard, play hard, be a good mixer and yet show sturdy independence; one who was master of his job and of himself, and one who was cultured, and yet merry of heart."

Mr. David Lewis proposed a vote of thanks to Dr. West, which was warmly seconded by Miss M. E. Herbert, and carried with acclamation.

After the National Anthem had been sung, the visitors inspected the school and new equipment, and had tea in the Dining Hall.

I. MACBEAN.

HONOURS LIST, 1938.

HIGHER CERTIFICATES (Northern Universities' Joint Board) :
N. Bentley, V. Fell.

SCHOOL CERTIFICATES—C. Brisbourne, M. Griffin, I. MacBean, G. Mellor, G. Mountford, L. Prince, M. Roberts, A. Surtees, M. Tebbett, M. Thurman, J. Walker, C. Wheeldon, J. Wright.

COUNTY SPECIAL PLACES—J. Duncan, K. Wheeldon, G. Street, J. Marsden.

AT UNIVERSITIES—Manchester University : B. Stubbs (4th year); Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford : K. Simms (3rd year); King's

College of Domestic Science, London : I. M. Bull (2nd year) ;
Birmingham University : V. Fell (1st year).

PRISE LIST, 1937-8.

FORM PRIZES—II.a. : K. Smith ; Transition : J. Duncan, J. Marsden, R. Need ; III. : P. Appleby, M. Meadows, K. Wheeldon ; L.IV. : E. Bennett, S. Spruce, J. Taberner ; U.IV. : K. Woodcock, I. Barlow, F. Hill ; L.V. : M. Shenton, U. Harris, N. Cross ; V.R. : D. Bagnall, M. Tipper ; U.V. : M. Tebbett, A. Surtees, M. Thurman ; VI. : N. Bentley, V. Fell.

SCRIPTURE (presented by Mrs. Ward) : U. Harris, P. Tipper, K. Woodcock.

GEOGRAPHY (presented by Mr. E. M. Mellor) : B. Heath.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE : I. MacBean, A. Walker.

BIOLOGY (presented by Miss Whittlesey) : M. Hill.

MERITA (presented by Miss Budgen) : M. Tipper.

“ THE IDEA.”

A performance of “The Idea,” an operetta by Gustav Holst, was given on the nights of March 29th and 30th. The size of the new hall and stage made it possible for the Grammar School to combine with us in the production : an experiment which we all enjoyed. Much work fell on the producers, Miss Malvern and Miss Belford, for there were forty performers, and each member of the crowd had his own individual actions and movements. As many of us were new to the dramatic work, many rehearsals were needed. The leading parts were taken as follows: P. Fallowes (King), P. Ohm (Prime Minister), N. Crisp (Max the sentry), V. Mottram (Queen), I. MacBean (Caroline, Prime Minister’s wife), D. Bagnall (Mona the knitting woman). The plot of the operetta was quite brief but very amusing.

When the curtain rose, it was learnt that the Prime Minister was ill, and while he was ill (when he was of about as much use as when he was well) he had an idea. As the world was in a dreadful state with men ruling, why should not women rule, and men do their work? This suggestion was greeted with great enthusiasm, but when put into practice it was a failure. Everybody blamed the Prime Minister for the havoc and said it was up to him to put it right. So he had the brilliant idea of reverting to the old state of things, and they all lived happily ever after. The most amusing part of the performance was the second act, when the men were doing the women’s work. The King was struggling to make roly-poly pudding ; the sentry was in great difficulties trying to knit some peculiar article—nobody seemed to be quite sure what it was ; the Prime Minister was seen sweeping the balcony of 10, Downing Street ; while down below Mona, the knitting woman,

was on sentry-go in place of the sentry, and in danger of shooting herself and the spectators, as she did not know how to hold a gun.

The costumes were of the period when bustles were worn, and we were fortunate in borrowing some genuine old dresses and in procuring a penny-farthing bicycle to wheel on the stage and an old-fashioned mail cart which the policeman pushed on in the second act while the nursemaid feebly regulated the traffic. The audience seemed to enjoy watching it as much as we enjoyed the preparations and the performance.

C. BRISBOURNE.

THE SPORTS, 1938.

The Annual Sports were held on Wednesday, May 25th. Although it did not rain the sky was cloudy, and it was very cold; this prevented many people from attending. There was a great struggle for supremacy between Balfour and Budgen, the result of the House Relay Race deciding the Championship. Budgen won by the narrow margin of two points. The Senior Championship was won by M. Perrins, with 24 points; and J. Crosby was Junior Champion with 21 points. Miss Barnwell kindly presented the cups and prizes at the close of events.

The events decided before the day were:—

Cross-Country—Senior : 1 M. Massey (30 mins.), 2 M. Collis, 3 D. Hughes.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—Senior : 1 P. Capewell (129' 10"), 2 J. Hughes, 3 G. Mountford; Junior : J. Crosby (110' 7"), 2 E. Bennett, 3 H. Rushton.

Long Jump—Senior : M. Perrins (13' 11"), 2 A. Surtees, 3 M. Tebbett; Junior : 1 E. Beard (12' 10"), 2 J. Crosby, 3 G. Robinson.

The events decided on the day were:—

Sack Race—Senior : 1 M. Tunnicliffe, 2 I. MacBean, 3 P. Tipper; Junior : 1 J. Twigg, 2 B. Bagnall, 3 M. Henry; Under 11 : 1 E. Findlay, 2 J. Marsden, 3 J. Duncan.

Three-legged Race—Senior : 1 M. MacBean and M. Tunnicliffe, 2 M. Perrins and P. Tipper, 3 E. Cooper and M. Massey; Junior : 1 M. King and G. Robinson, 2 C. Manhire and M. Hardy, 3 B. Bagnall and G. Parker; Under 11 : 1 J. Marsden and M. Hardy, 2 E. Findlay and J. Duncan, 3 K. Smith and M. McKeand.

100 yards—Senior : 1 N. Cross, 2 M. Perrins, 3 A. Surtees; Junior : 1 G. Robinson, 2 C. Manhire, 3 E. Shenton.

80 yards—Under 11 : 1 M. Hardy, 2 J. Marsden, 3 E. Findlay.

50 yards—Preparatory : 1 V. Ward, 2 G. Dainton, 3 L. Waterhouse.

High Jump—Senior : 1 A. Surtees (4' 2"), 2 G. Mountford, 3 M. Tunnicliffe; Junior : 1 J. Crosby and J. Taberner (3' 7"), 2 B. Hamilton and E. Shenton; Under 11 : 1 J. Duncan and E. Findlay (3' 1"), 2 K. Smith and M. Hardy.

Potato Race—Senior : 1 R. Ward, 2 M. Massey, 3 P. Tipper;
Junior : 1 C. Manhire, 2 J. Parker, 3 G. Robinson.
Slow Bicycle—Senior : 1 M. Bevan, 2 M. Massey, 3 R. Ward;
Junior : 1 J. Crosby, 2 P. Appleby, 3 E. Hill.
220 yards—Senior : 1 M. Perrins (29 4/5 secs.), 2 N. Cross,
3 A. Surtees ; Junior : 1 G. Robinson (28 3/5 secs.),
2 E. Shenton, 3 C. Manhire.
Bunny Jump—Preparatory : 1 L. Waterhouse, 2 O. Marsden,
3 J. Cart.
Flower Pot—Senior : 1 M. Tunnicliffe, 2 M. Bevan, 3 M. Massey;
Junior : 1 W. Cotterill, 2 K. Mason, 3 E. Thorley.
Obstacle Race—Senior : 1 M. Perrins, 2 E. Bain, 3 M. Tebbett;
Junior : 1 E. Thorley, 2 W. Cotterill, 3 E. Shenton.
Skipping Race—Under 11 : 1 J. Marsden, 2 J. Duncan,
3 E. Cotterill.
House Relay Race—1 Budgen, 2 Dunkley.

M. HILL.

THE SPORTS, 1939.

The Annual Sports were held on Wednesday, May 17th, at 2 p.m. In spite of a biting east wind and a complete absence of sunshine, a number of parents and friends were present to give their support to the proceedings. This year competitors wore green cotton gym-tunics, which gave them considerably greater freedom in running and jumping. Miss Beck very kindly presented the prizes won by the Preparatory Department and the Championship Cups.

The events decided before the day were :—

Cross-Country—1 S. Roberts, 2 M. Hill, 3. M. Baker.
Throwing the Cricket Ball—Senior : 1 P. Capewell (129' 7"),
2 V. Sutton, 3 J. Pateman ; Junior : 1 G. Bennett (100' 5"),
2 B. Hamilton, 3 M. Hardy.
Long Jump—Senior : 1 M. Tunnicliffe (13' 4"), 2 M. MacBean,
3 B. Dainton ; Junior : 1 C. Manhire (12' 10"), 2 J. Mellor,
3 M. Lees and B. Hamilton.

The following events took place on the day :—

Sack Race—Senior : 1 M. Tunnicliffe, 2 W. Cotterill,
3 B. Bagnall ; Junior : 1 J. Goodall, 2 M. Hardy, 3 P. Appleby ;
Under 11 : 1 Margaret Hardy, 2 V. Cowlishaw, 3 E. Findlay.
Three-legged Race—Senior : 1 M. Tunnicliffe and M. MacBean,
2 J. Pateman and J. Parker, 3 E. Bain and M. Pattinson ;
Junior : 1 C. Manhire and M. Hardy, 2 M. Henry and J.
Mellor, 3 N. Leake and J. Litherland ; Under 11 : 1 Margaret
Hardy and M. McKeand, 2 E. Findlay and V. Cowlishaw,
3 G. Dainton and J. Huthwaite.

100 yards—Senior : 1 N. Cross, 2 A. Surtees, 3 M. Hill ; Junior : 1 C. Manhire, 2 J. Taylor, 3 Y. Dainton.
80 yards—Under 11 : 1 Margaret Hardy, 2 M. McKeand, 3 E. Findlay.
50 yards—Preparatory Dept. : 1 L. Waterhouse, 2 P. Bagnall, 3 A. Ward.
High Jump—Senior : 1 K. Bailey (4' 0"), 2 M. Baker and M. Tunnicliffe ; Junior : 1 C. Manhire (4' 1"), 2 J. Bednall, 3 B. Hamilton ; Under 11 : 1 Margaret Hardy (3' 3").
Potato Race—Senior : 1 A. Surtees, 2 M. Tunnicliffe, 3 E. Bain ; Junior : C. Manhire, 2 J. Bednall, 3 N. Land.
Slow Bicycle—Senior : 1 M. Baker, 2 B. Bagnall, 3 W. Cotterill ; Junior : 1 J. Litherland, 2 P. Appleby, 3 J. Snart and N. Land.
220 yards—Senior : 1 N. Cross (32 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.), 2 M. Hill, 3 B. Dainton ; Junior : 1 C. Manhire (34 $\frac{3}{5}$ secs.), 2 J. Taylor, 3 J. Bednall.
Bunny Jump—Prep. Dept. : 1 A. Belcher, 2 A. Ward, 3 P. Bagnall.
Flower Pot Race—Senior : 1 W. Cotterill, 2 M. Roberts, 3 M. Tunnicliffe ; Junior : 1 J. Mellor, 2 N. Roberts, 3 B. Walker.
Obstacle Race—Senior : 1 M. Tunnicliffe, 2 M. Baker, 3 W. Cotterill ; Junior : 1 K. Mason, 2 B. Walker, 3 J. Mason.
Skipping Race—Under 11 : 1 M. McKeand, 2 G. Dainton, 3 Margaret Hardy.
House Relay Race—1 Budgen, 2 Balfour.

The Senior Championship was won by M. Tunnicliffe, with 31 points ; and the Junior Championship by C. Manhire, with 36 points. The House Championship was gained by Budgen.

K. N. BENTLEY.

FICTION LIBRARY.

Much more reading has been done this year, since we were able to use the Library in the new buildings. Girls are now able to borrow or return books at lunch time and at the end of the afternoon on various days, and many take advantage of this.

Many people, as well as the School, have presented most interesting new books to the Fiction Library, and we are grateful to them for their kindness. Maurice Walsh, D. K. Broster, Ian Hay, John Buchan, Zane Grey and P. G. Wodehouse, are authors very well represented on the Library shelves. The following books have also been added :—“Seven for a Secret” and “Precious Bane,” by Mary Webb ; “She,” by Rider Haggard ; “Fire over England,” “Captain Blood,” “Tono Bungay,” “Through Russian Snows,” as well as two “William” books by Richmal Crompton, and “At the Court of King Arthur,” an amusing novel by Mark Twain.

This term we were sorry to lose Marjorie Perrins, Fiction Librarian for the last two years. Marjorie has done much valuable work for the Fiction Library, and we are very grateful to her.

I. MACBEAN.
A. SURTEES.
M. MACBEAN.

1st UTTOXETER GIRL GUIDES.

This year has been a busy one for the Guides. During the Autumn Term we were very pleased to welcome Miss Kerr to some of our meetings. She is a keen Guider and had been one of the leaders at the International Guide Camp in Scotland.

Her interesting talk on the Camp, which Miss Kerr illustrated by photographs and actual badges worn by Guides of the different countries, helped to make more real to us the meaning of the phrase, "the great Sisterhood of Guides." We decided to make an effort to do something for the Jewish Refugee Children, as we felt that many of them might be our own sister Guides.

During the term many pounds of toffee were made and sold. Staff and girls alike acquired the toffee-chewing habit, and the stock of treacle, in a certain busy stores in the town, was completely exhausted.

One afternoon we had a small Sale of Work and competitions. The chief attraction was Madame Séguire, the famous fortuneteller. Owing to her tent having been mislaid she was forced to take up her residence in the dining-room cupboard.

The proceeds from the whole effort amounted to seven pounds ten shillings. Five pounds of this we sent to the Lord Baldwin Fund for Jewish Refugees, and thirty shillings we gave towards a picture for the New Library. To the pound which remained we added ten shillings from the company funds and bought a Patrol Trophy for the Company.

The Trophy is the figure of a Girl Guide beautifully sculptured in bronze. It is now held by the White Heather Patrol under the leadership of Peggy Tipper.

During the Spring Term Miss Bettany joined the Company as Lieutenant. Under her leadership we are able to enjoy Camp Fire Sing-songs. The Company is now a very large one, and with two Lieutenants we were able to do more Tenderfoot and Second Class Work.

We were very grateful to Mrs. Blundell for coming to talk to us about her holiday in America. She showed us some very interesting

pictures, and at the end we had a Camp Fire Sing-song, and Mrs. Blundell taught us some new songs. The whole meeting was very much enjoyed by us all, and we hope that Mrs. Blundell will find time to visit us again in the near future.

We were very sorry to say "Good-bye" to Miss Snow at the end of the term : she was so very helpful to the younger members of the Company. We wished her all happiness in her new post.

This term we celebrated Guide Week by having a track on Monday, May 8th. It was a perfect evening, and the track was much enjoyed by us all, though a certain amount of amusement and confusion was caused by small boys, who removed some of the signs and substituted others for them.

We are hoping to take a short course in First Aid this term so that we may "Be Prepared" for all emergencies.

We should like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Beck for the very keen and helpful interest she takes in our Company, and for all the help she gave us in connection with our Sale of Work.

Although our Company is now really up to full strength we can always find room for and will welcome, any more girls who would care to join the Guides with us.

R. BULLOCK (Captain).

GLASGOW EXHIBITION.

One of the most memorable days in my life was a visit to the Empire Exhibition, Glasgow. The Exhibition was held at Bellahouston Park, and covers an area of a hundred and seventy five acres.

A wonderful sight met our eyes on our arrival: the gigantic tower three hundred feet high, standing on Ballahouston Hill a hundred and seventy feet above sea level. Avenues in all directions sparkled red and white in the bright sunlight, with a hundred palaces and pavilions and scores of smaller buildings. Where should we start?

The North Scottish Pavilion first claimed our attention. Here we saw the great figure of "Service" holding a torch of Knowledge and a staff of Health. In this hall the drawings and paintings by children of all ages, and the needlework especially, attracted our attention. The map of Scotland on the ground in here was also very wonderful, with all the relief features: roads, railways, shipping, and air routes, power stations, lighthouses, and other important features. The South Scottish Pavilion was historical: and here, the costumes of different periods, Paisley shawls, jewellery and pewter ware, made us want to linger longer than we

were able. The wedding dresses made me glad they have changed to-day. Here two rooms were devoted to social and craft activities of boys' and girls' clubs.

The Clachan, the Highland village, gave us some idea of real old Scotland. The weaving of the Harris Tweed was most interesting, as also the interior of a Scottish cottage with the old Scotch dresses.

The Canadian Exhibit showed the "Mounties" on duty, all such wonderfully tall, fit men. The products here were very good; we bought some "Force" and apples.

From the New Zealand Pavilion we bought butter, cheese and honey.

The African Pavilion claimed a lot of attention. There were gold, diamonds, and other minerals. Some of the wild flowers of the country were on view. In Southern Rhodesia, the model of the Victoria Falls was the most striking. It showed first, dawn with clouds passing across the dim sky and the gorge lit with sombre blues; then the sun rising, tingeing the water and flooding the sky with delicate pinks. With the rainbow on the spray, it faded at sunset to brilliant gold. Night fell, a soft tropical night, and the water and the gorges again turned blue, as the stars came out and the white lunar rainbow appeared. This was repeated every five minutes.

After lunch, on we travelled again, for there was much to be seen.

The two palaces of Industry would have taken a week to have inspected thoroughly, as they alone covered five acres, and included chemicals, cutlery, fancy goods, furniture, leather, musical instruments, pottery, sports goods, and general goods. Everywhere tartan ware was the predominant feature, and added colour to the stands. This was a most interesting palace in which to buy presents for friends, but a mint of money was required.

Without a visit to India and Burma, this would not be a complete tour. The carpet weaving in the India Exhibition was wonderful, as it is all done by hand. Also the lucky charms and rings lured us.

Time to go, and one very wonderful spectacle, perhaps the prettiest, was the cascade of water down the steps from the tall Tower into the lake at the bottom. Pastel shade effects were thrown up by the electric lights on all the steps, and in the lake. It was a most wonderful day, but oh, for a new pair of legs the next day!

K. JACKSON (Lower V.a).

Words by Burns.

Wee Willie Grey

Composite Melody.

by Form. 6. 5a. 5b

I Wee Wil-Pie Grey and his featherer wal-Per;
II Wee Wil-Pie Grey and his featherer wal-Per;

Handwritten musical score for the first two lines of 'Wee Willie Grey'. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time (indicated by '8') and the bottom staff is in 2/3 time (indicated by '2:3'). The vocal line is in soprano clef, and the bass line is in bass clef. The lyrics are written above the notes. The vocal line starts with a quarter note, followed by an eighth note, a sixteenth note, another sixteenth note, a quarter note, and a sixteenth note. The bass line starts with a quarter note, followed by an eighth note, a sixteenth note, another sixteenth note, a quarter note, and a sixteenth note. The lyrics are: 'I Wee Wil-Pie Grey and his featherer wal-Per; II Wee Wil-Pie Grey and his featherer wal-Per;'. The score is on two lines of five-line music staves.

Peel a wil-low wand to be him boots and jack-et; The
Twice a pi-ly flower will be him sark and crav-et; The

Handwritten musical score for the middle section of 'Wee Willie Grey'. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time (indicated by '8') and the bottom staff is in 2/3 time (indicated by '2:3'). The vocal line is in soprano clef, and the bass line is in bass clef. The vocal line starts with a quarter note, followed by an eighth note, a sixteenth note, another sixteenth note, a quarter note, and a sixteenth note. The bass line starts with a quarter note, followed by an eighth note, a sixteenth note, another sixteenth note, a quarter note, and a sixteenth note. The lyrics are: 'Peel a wil-low wand to be him boots and jack-et; The'. The score is on two lines of five-line music staves.

Rose up-on the brier will be him trowse and doubl-Per, The
Feath-ers of a flee was feath-er up his bon-net

Handwritten musical score for the final section of 'Wee Willie Grey'. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is in common time (indicated by '8') and the bottom staff is in 2/3 time (indicated by '2:3'). The vocal line is in soprano clef, and the bass line is in bass clef. The vocal line starts with a quarter note, followed by an eighth note, a sixteenth note, another sixteenth note, a quarter note, and a sixteenth note. The bass line starts with a quarter note, followed by an eighth note, a sixteenth note, another sixteenth note, a quarter note, and a sixteenth note. The lyrics are: 'Rose up-on the brier will be him trowse and doubl-Per, The'. The score is on two lines of five-line music staves.

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CAMP LIFE.

Soon we shall be making preparations for our annual "League of Nations" camp. These are always exciting ; there is the usual visit to Woolworth's to purchase the necessary small things : enamel plates, mugs, sponge-bags, etc.

Last year, the camp was held at "Long Mynd" in Shropshire, and was attended by about seventy boys and girls, including foreign leaders.

The whole camp was divided into three tribes : "the Lions," the "Leopards," and the "Jaguars." Cynthia and I found that we had been allocated to the "Jaguars," and about this we were very pleased as we were able to share a tent.

After pitching our tent rather badly we were called for our first meal in camp : the ham was at least half-an-inch thick, and so was the pastry on the custard, but out of doors it tasted delicious. We tumbled into our sleeping bags about 9 o'clock, and found that the beetles, earwigs, and other insects also found them comfortable.

We were awakened by unusual sounds proceeding from the kitchen at about 7 o'clock the next morning. We dressed hurriedly and fetched water from the spring to wash, then gathered together with the rest of the tribe for breakfast.

Each tribe had a male and female leader ; and two foreign leaders visited the tribes in turn. On the first morning we had a Czechoslovakian girl, and a boy from France who had a struggle to ask for what he wanted.

It was decided during breakfast that the tribe should be divided into four clans consisting of six or seven people : the "S's," the "wasps," the "beetles," and the "earwigs" ; we were the "earwigs."

Ten o'clock was inspection of the tribes by the leaders, so after breakfast each clan went to its particular duty, washing-up, scavenging, fetching wood for the fire, and carrying water.

Scavenging was the most difficult duty ; every tiny piece of string, paper or food had to be picked up. If any bits were found, it counted against the tribe. Accounts were given of each tribe at assembly. Assembly was held each morning at 11 o'clock at the top of the hill. Each tribe during the fortnight had to give a report on something connected with the International Situation. The "Jaguars" had "the Czechoslovakian minority problem." This report was given one morning in assembly, and every member of the tribe took some small part in it.

After lunch came the rest hour, in which one could talk, sleep, read or write letters, and last but not least, eat sweets from the

tuck-shop. As soon as the rest hour was over one could spend one's time playing cricket on the camp site, walking, swimming, and doing anything else one wished.

I think the most enjoyable items were the camp-fires, which were held twice a week; we took ground-sheets and blankets, and settled ourselves comfortably round the camp fire. Each tribe was responsible for part of the programme, which consisted of foreign songs, dances taught by the foreign leaders, or short sketches. These camp-fires usually lasted until 11.30 p.m., and it was about this time that we enjoyed a nice gruesome ghost-story. We had the village doctor up to two of our camp-fires—he taught us some of the village songs. One evening, as it was wet, we held the camp-fire in the village school. It was difficult getting seventy people into one small school-room, and half of us sat on the desks pushed back against the walls, while the piano made quite a good seat. It was at this camp-fire that the bats came to join us, and there were many frightened shrieks from the girls.

The nearest church was three miles away at Lydbury North, but we tramped there every Sunday (getting one or two blisters in the bargain), but it was well worth it. The country was very beautiful, and the small church was a typical old village church with old family pews.

During the second week we visited Stokesay and Ludlow Castle. We spent another good afternoon taking part in a scavenging hunt, which was held on the camp site: one thing we had to return with was a blonde hair, others were a dead earwig, half a worm, and leaves of various plants.

On the last night, after the "Jaguars" had finished their midnight feast, they decided to raid the Lions, and let down all their tents.

The next morning (or rather the same morning) we awoke to find ourselves somewhat nearer to the roof of our tent than we had been when we had fallen asleep. It was 4 a.m. and the "Lions" had raided us.

Then came the sad part: striking tents, packing blankets and cases. We went down to the station in two buses, and after shaking hands until our arms ached, and the porter had pinched my hand in the door, the train, carrying about thirty of us, steamed out of the station.

It was certainly difficult to settle down to ordinary life after the carefree holiday at camp, but there is always next year's holidays and renewal of friendship, to which one can look forward.

DOREEN M. BAGNALL.

VISITE à WIMEREUX.

L'été dernier Mademoiselle Charles a encore conduit douze élèves en France, cette fois à Wimereux près de Boulogne.

Nous avons quitté Folkestone le 10 août à six heures et demie du soir et la traversée a duré une heure et demie. La mer était comme un lac et nous sommes restées sur le pont au grand air. Par conséquent, quand nous sommes arrivées à notre pension, La Marmaille, nous avions une faim de loup.

Nous avons passé la plupart des douze jours à nous baigner, à jouer sur la plage, à regarder les vitrines et à acheter des cadeaux. Nous nous plaisions surtout aux marchés de Boulogne et de Wimereux. On y trouve toutes sortes de choses et il est très amusant d'entendre marchander les paysans et leurs clients.

À Wimereux il y avait un petit cinéma très curieux. Comme les bancs étaient faits de bois et les séances duraient jusqu' après minuit nous ne l'avons visité que deux fois.

Le 16 août nous sommes allées au Touquet, nous arrêtant en route à Étaples pour visiter le vaste cimetière militaire anglais, où se trouvent les tombes de 12,000 Anglais morts pendant la Grande Guerre. Nous aurions mieux aimé Le Touquet s'il avait fait beau temps. Il pleuvait et le sable blanc, emporté par le vent nous fouettait le visage. Néanmoins, nous avons admiré le Casino, les villas élégantes, les grands hôtels et les jolis bois de bouleaux et de pins qui s'étendent derrière la ville.

Plusieurs d'entre nous ont fait huit kilomètres à pied pour visiter la Colonne Napoléon qui fut érigée par ordre de Napoléon en souvenir du camp de Boulogne (1804). Il faisait beau temps, et du haut de la colonne nous avons eu une vue magnifique sur la campagne avoisinante, la Manche et les falaises blanches de l'Angleterre.

Un autre jour nous sommes montées au dôme de la cathédrale de Boulogne. On venait de célébrer une fête importante qui n'a lieu que tous les deux cents ans. On avait envoyé des charrettes dans tous les villages et dans toutes les villes du département et les fidèles y avaient jeté de petits coeurs dorés. Chaque cœur contenait une prière faite à Notre Dame de Boulogne. Des milliers de ces coeurs avaient été enfilés et suspendus dans la cathédrale. C'était un spectacle qu'on voit rarement.

Pendant notre voyage de retour la mer était houleuse, mais nous n'avons pas eu le mal de mer. Nous étions toutes très fiers de constater que nous avions le pied marin.

MARY MACBEAN.

THE OLD HOUSE.

Strolling through the fields of green
Upon a summer's day,
I saw a sight so beautiful:
It stole my heart away.

I saw down in the quiet lea
A lovely timbered hall,
With graceful gardens reaching to
A row of poplars tall.

It stood close by a little church
Built centuries ago:
That house has stood through stirring times
In bygone days, we know,

But now it stands so silent there
Among its gardens gay;
And oh, beneath the sloping hill,
It stole my heart away.

J. TWIGG (L. V.a).

EXAMS.

I crawled up to the form-room,
My feet were loath to start:
The room looked dull and cheerless,
The desks were far apart.
No sound of happy laughter
Awoke the silent air,
For all were feeling wretched,
Depressed, and full of care.
Exams !

On the desks lay sheets of foolscap
And nothing else was there—
No means of hasty 'swotting'!
We saw in grim despair.
Oh dread and fateful moment,
When the paper first was seen:
The looks that passed between us
Were far from being serene.
Exams !!

The morning crawled on slowly,
Until at length 'twas o'er:
The paper-clips were given out—
(I dropped mine on the floor !)
"At least that's one we've got through,"
I thought as we went down;
And then we in the cloak-room
Compared with many a frown.
Exams !!!

The days appeared to linger,
The end seemed far away:
And yet at length we finished—
(Oh great and glorious day !)
And after lists and breaking up
We really started off;
And in security at camp
At next year, we could scoff—
Exams !!!!

DOREEN BAGNALL.

PICTURES IN THE FIRE.

A little girl sat in front of the fire, one wet and windy day, She gazed moodily into the fire, wishing she had been able to go out or have had someone to play with. In the fire, as she stared, various shapes formed before her eyes.

She saw the interior of a cave lit by a rosy light. She saw an old witch stirring a cauldron. The witch beckoned and then some small brightly elves danced into view. They wore dresses of various hues—some red, blue, purple and green. They clustered around to listen to the orders for the night, they clapped their hands and disappeared into the darkness. The old witch went on stirring the cauldron, when suddenly more black figures came into the cave.

Something white and curly rose from the cauldron : it looked like a skeleton, and all the witches disappeared. Then the elves came in with green bundles of herbs in their arms, which they threw into the cauldron, and a dense black smoke filled the cave. When the smoke cleared, the witches came down on their broomsticks. They wove spells over the cauldron and the cat in the corner rolled his green eyes.

The little girl shivered as the wind whistled eerily and fitted in with the scene in front of her.

JEANNETTE PERRINS (Upper IV.).

NEWS OF OLD GIRLS.

MARY MASSEY has finished the course at Market Harborough, and did very well in examinations. She has been chosen to take a six months' course at the Leicester Royal Infirmary to study Dietetics.

MARGARET HARPER has finished her training in Domestic Science at Radbrooke, and is hoping to obtain a post in a School.

WINIFRED COPE has obtained her Board of Education Teacher's Certificate at Liverpool, and has been appointed to the Staff of the Senior Girls' School in West Bromwich.

BRENDA STUBBS completes her Teachers' Training at Manchester this summer.

DOROTHY HALL completes her Teachers' Training at Brighton, and has obtained a post in the Infants' Department of a School in Birmingham.

HILDA STONEHOUSE has been appointed Head Mistress of the Girls' Senior School, The Heath, Uttoxeter.

BERYL HEATH is a student in the Brighton Municipal Training College for Teachers.

VERA FELL is a student at Birmingham University, taking a course for an Arts degree.

KATHLEEN WILSON and BETTY TAYLOR are students at the Derby Training College.

JOAN HUGHES has been studying French at a convent in Belgium for a year; she returns to England in July, and will then take a course of Secretarial Training.

GWYNETH ROBERTS is taking a course at St. Lawrence's Commercial College, Birmingham.

JOAN WARD begins her general training as a Nurse in the Sheffield Infirmary next September.

RUTH SHAW is a Nurse in Hinkley Isolation Hospital, but is shortly going to the Leicester Royal Infirmary to complete her general training.

JOAN SMITH has finished the course at the Norland Institute, and has a post at Ingatestone, Essex.

I am always pleased to have news of Old Girls, and shall be grateful for any information for inclusion in the Magazine. It is of great interest to the School to hear of the Old Girls' doings.

A. BECK, Registrar.

BIRTHS.

April 17th, 1938.—Gladys Booth (née Hall), a son.

March 9th, 1939.—Ivy Shore (née Farmer), a son.

April 25th, 1939.—Mary Allinson (née Hutton), a son.

OLD GIRLS' SOCIETY.

At a Committee Meeting held on November 15th, 1938, the President informed those present that Miss Beck was retiring from her post at Christmas. It was unanimously decided to make the Christmas Reunion as representative a gathering as possible, and to make a presentation to Miss Beck, that should in a small way remind Miss Beck of our regard for her. Efforts were made to get in touch with many Old Girls who were not active members of the Union, and there was a most encouraging response.

The desire to join in this expression of the Society's affection for Miss Beck was shown strongly in the splendid attendance of Old Girls at the Reunion held on December 17th, when over 100 were present.

At the business meeting which followed supper, N. Hardy, on behalf of the Old Girls, asked Miss Beck to accept a suitably inscribed gold wristlet watch, and hoped she would thoroughly enjoy her retirement. In addition to the watch, a cheque and a book containing the names of the subscribers, the latter compiled by Betty Torrance, were presented.

This was the first Reunion held in the new Assembly Hall. We much appreciated the greater space for dancing and the opportunity of inspecting the beautiful new wing with its efficient equipment.

I am including a list of those present in the order in which they signed the register. I am afraid the list is incomplete, but it will interest those unable to be present to see how representative of young and old (Old Girls) the meeting was :—

M. W. Cooper	G. M. Ward	M. Perrins
A. Beck	M. Jeffery	P. Tipper
N. Hardy	V. G. Goodall	M. Fryer
A. Ward	M. Bull	B. Torrance
J. A. Malvern	D. Doran	P. Yates
D. Kent	P. Wilks	F. Howkins
B. Stevenson	F. E. Bull	K. Tibbits
H. Stevenson	M. E. Price	F. I. Bull
D. I. Jones	A. E. Harris	J. G. Mellor
M. L. Betts	B. Prince	G. M. Earp
M. L. Mellor	H. M. Goodwin	K. L. Davies
L. M. Mounsdon	M. Parker	K. Hardy
I. M. Orme	N. Francis	M. Jackson
G. J. DeVille	J. Birch	S. Bettany
B. A. Orme	F. M. Blore	A. G. Whieldon
R. M. Allport	K. M. Wain	(Heaven)
M. M. Goodwin	W. G. Cope	M. Sant (Cotterill)
D. B. Forster	D. M. Sherratt	M. Chell
A. Watson	P. Cooper	K. Brisbourne (Salt)
M. Hill	M. Goodall	J. Salt
M. Tebbett	L. Tunnicliffe	M. Smith
N. Hammond	M. Whittaker	M. Papworth
J. E. Ward	M. Ryder	M. Ford
J. M. Phillips	J. M. Stevenson	D. M. Wood
E. Cawser	F. Cooper	K. F. Griffiths
B. Watson	E. V. M. Wibberley	K. M. Simms
I. Jones	S. E. Wibberley	B. Griffith
D. Salt	D. Harper	O. Taylor
Margaret Shipton	E. Tipper	M. Lewis
K. Pearson	F. M. Tunnicliffe	M. Allred
I. Berrisford	V. B. Fell	G. Lyons

D. M. SHERRATT.